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Anticipated Classification of this application:

Class _____ Subclass _____

PRIOR APPLICATION Serial Number 10/042,609

Examiner: Donnelly, Arthur

Art Unit: 3661

Mail Stop Patent Application
Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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CONTINUATION APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL

This is a request for a filing the enclosed Continuation application under 37 CFR §1.53(b).

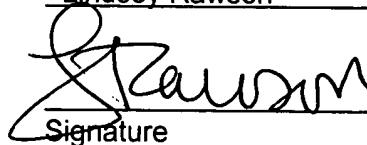
Papers enclosed are:

- 8 Pages of Specification (copy of parent)
- 2 Pages of Claims (copy of parent)
- 1 Pages of Abstract (copy of parent)
- 1 Sheets of Drawings (X formal/___ informal) (copy of parent)
- ___ Information Disclosure Statement

Certification Under 37 CFR 1.10

I hereby certify that this Continuation Application Transmittal and the documents referred to as attached therein are being deposited with the United States Postal Service on this date July 1, 2003 in an envelope as "Express Mail Post Office to Addressee" mailing Label Number EV316953175US addressed to the: Mail Stop Patent Application, Assistant Commissioner for Patents, PO BOX 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

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Signature

II. INVENTORSHIP STATEMENT

☒ This application discloses and claims only subject matter disclosed in the prior application whose particulars are set out above and the inventor(s) in this application are ☒ the same as, ☐ less than, those named in the prior application; and it is requested that the following inventor(s) identified above for the prior application be deleted: _____

☐ This application discloses and claims additional subject matter with respect to the prior application and a new declaration is forthcoming. With respect to the prior application whose particulars are set out above the inventor(s) in this application are ☐ the same, ☐ add the following additional inventor(s): _____

☒ The inventorship for all the claims in this application is ☒ the same, ☐ not the same, and an explanation, including the ownership of the various claims at the time the last claimed invention was made, is submitted.

III. DECLARATION OR OATH

☒ Continuation or division: ☒ none required.

☐ Continuation-in-part ☐ attached (executed by inventor(s)), ☐ not attached.

IV. IDENTIFICATION OF CLAIMS

The fees to be charged are to be based on the number of claims as a result of:

- ☒ the attached preliminary amendment.
☐ entry of the amendment filed under 37 CFR 1.116 on April 6, 1998, in the prior application, which is requested to be entered therein.
☐ the claims as on file in the new CIP application.

V. FEE CALCULATION

CLAIMS AS FILED IN CIP APPLICATION				
	Number filed	Number Extra	Rate	Basic Fee
				\$750.00
Total				
Claims	11	-20= 0	x \$18.00=	
Independent				
Claims	2	- 3= 0	x \$78.00=	
Multiple				
Dependent Claim(s), if any			\$260.00=	
Filing Fee Calculation				\$ 750.00

VI. PETITION FOR SUSPENSION OF PROSECUTION FOR THE TIME NECESSARY TO FILE AN AMENDMENT ☐ Attached is a Petition to Suspend Prosecution for the Time Necessary to File an Amendment.

VII. SMALL ENTITY STATEMENT

- ☐ A verified statement that this is a filing by a small entity is attached.
☐ The small entity statement was filed in the parent application Serial No. _____ which parent application was filed on _____ and this status is still proper and its benefit under 37 CFR 1.28(a) is hereby claimed.

Reduced Filing Fee Calculation (50% of above)

\$__

VIII. FEE PAYMENT

☒ Filing Fee enclosed \$ 750.00

☐ Fee for Recording Assignment (\$40) \$ _____

☐ Petition fee for filing by other than all the inventors or person not the inventor where inventor refused to sign or cannot be reached (\$130.00) \$ _____

Total Fees Enclosed \$ 750.00

IX. METHOD OF PAYMENT OF FEES

- ☒ Enclosed is a check in the amount of \$ 750.00
☐ Charge Deposit Account No. 23-0630 in the amount of \$ _____

X. AUTHORIZATION TO CHARGE ADDITIONAL FEES

- ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 23-0630.

XI. PRIORITY - 35 U.S.C. 119

- ☐ Priority of application Serial No. 0 / _____ filed on _____ in _____ is claimed under 35 U.S.C. 119.
☐ The certified copy has been filed on _____ in prior U.S. application Serial No. 0 / _____, filed on _____.
☐ Certified copy will follow.

XII. RELATE BACK - 35 U.S.C. 120

- ☒ Amend the Specification by inserting before the first line the sentence:
"This is a Continuation application of application Serial No. 10/042,609, filed on January 9, 2002".

XIII. ASSIGNMENT

- ☒ The prior application is assigned of record to Volvo Trucks North America, Inc.
☐ An assignment of the invention to _____ is attached. A separate cover sheet for assignment is also attached.